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TO: All Members

FROM: David Jadwin, Lt. Col. CAP

SUBJECT: 2008 Nellis AFB Air Show – “Aviation Nation”

If you do not already have November 8th & 9th marked on your calendar for the Nellis Air Show, please do so! The Nellis Air Show brings together the largest public display of USAF aircraft each year. The air show is also called Aviation Nation (AN) as it is produced by the Aviation Nation organization (www.aviationnation.org) There are a lot of thrilling performances scheduled, including the USAF Demonstration Team – The Thunderbirds.

As with previous years, CAP will be involved in a variety of capacities. I have been appointed the Wing Project Officer for our participation. In this capacity, I will be the primary point of contact for all CAP interface with the Aviation Nation staff during the event. We need at least 75 members to work in a variety of duties as explained below.

Aircraft: We are scheduled to have at least three CAP aircraft on the ramp. A glass-cockpit C-182, a CAP glider & a GA-8 Airvan. **LtCol Roy Campbell** will be leading all aspects of CAP's aircraft operations and air crews for this event. He may request aircraft and/or air crews to participate from your squadron. If requested, please promptly reply with your availability.

VIP Chalet: Aviation Nation regularly has a number of distinguished guests attending throughout the weekend. These special guests may be granted access to a VIP “Chalet.” As with previous years, CAP has been requested to work inside the Chalet. While most of the assistance needed will be from our cadet corps, some CAP senior member participation may also be required. Typical duties include answering questions of the VIP's, cleaning up tables and removing trash. As VIPs will abound in the Chalet, only responsible, motivated and mature members are requested for this duty. **1Lt David Henderson** has established excellent rapport with AN over the past few years. Lt Henderson will again be responsible for all CAP support inside the Chalet.

CAP Information/Recruiting Booth: **1Lt Tom Cooper** is leading our Public Affairs efforts. We will have a professional display set up and, hopefully, hands-on activities for visitors to our booth. Due to the nature of having only a small space to work in, staffing assignments here will be minimal. However, those that do will be required to wear complete, proper and appropriate uniforms. More news on staffing this booth and other Public Affairs opportunities will be forthcoming.

Concession Booth: CAP has the opportunity to earn some money by working at concession booths during the Air Show. We must have 16 workers for each AM & PM shift in the booths at all times, or we risk losing part of the potential income. These workers do NOT have to be CAP members. Actually, it may be better to have parents work the booths so we have more members for our other duties. All concession workers/food handlers must have a Clark County Health Card. We expect training to be provided during the first week of November. I still need a volunteer to lead the concession booth effort. All money earned will be split to the units participating based on a ‘per-hour’ basis. The more hours worked by your unit, the larger your share of the profits.

Flightline support: We need a number of members to work on the flight line to assist in keeping the public safely behind baracades and when aircraft are moved. We will not be marshalling aircraft, rather being public ambassadors keeping everything safe and orderly. I still need a CAP officer to coordinate this effort.

General Air Show Support: Aviation Nation will require a number of people to provide general Air Show support throughout the weekend. Tasks may be few or many. Some may include running messages, answering questions for the general public, assisting with checkpoints.

Uniforms: CAP members working in any capacity are expected to be in a complete and proper uniform for the duty they are performing. Failure to be in a correct and complete uniform may result in members being asked to leave the activity.

- Most USAF personnel will be in BDU's. That is the preferred uniform for most of our support too. Therefore, all members will wear CAP utility uniforms (blue or camouflaged) or CAP officers have the option to wear a blue polo shirt with grey slacks/skirt.
- Members agreeing to work solely in the information booth may be asked to wear a service uniform.
- Only air crew members assigned to work with the CAP aircraft on display are allowed to wear flight suits.
- CAP members are allowed to wear uniforms only during CAP events/activities. Therefore, please do not show up at the air show in uniform unless you want to be given a work assignment.

Parking: A limited number of Nellis AFB parking passes will be available for members participating in Air Show activities. Expect that your CAP ID card will not be enough to get you on base that weekend. More details on base access and parking will be forthcoming soon.

Sleeping Accomodations: USAF Billeting at Nellis AFB will be very hard to gain access to. Additionally, the cost is \$39 per person/night. Therefore, we have a location available for out of town members to sleep. These overnight accommodations are inside but 'bare bones.' There is a restroom and single shower available. No cooking is possible on premisis. Members must bring their own sleeping bag (sleeping mat is suggested as some space may be on concrete). If you are counting on CAP to assist with your overnight accommodations, please let me know ASAP.

Final information:

- We need a number of cadet officers and cadet senior NCO's to participate in leadership roles. While officers will be present, our cadets need the opportunity to practice their leadership skills. If you have cadets that you feel will be excellent leaders, please let me know so they can be assigned appropriately.
- In past years, all Aviation Nation support workers have received a free lunch. I expect this to be the same again this year.
- **The intent for air shows – especially for cadets – is to enjoy the aviation experience!**
The more people we have present, the more 'time off' we can grant to enjoy the air show.

There is a lot of work that will be accomplished by our members before and during the weekend. Aviation Nation is looking forward to working with us again. Moreover, this is an excellent opportunity to serve our community, support our Aerospace Education mission and inform the general public about what a great organization Civil Air Patrol is.

Squadron Commanders – please take an initial count of the members from your unit that are interested in participating and share the numbers with me next week. This will help me with initial staffing and planning.

If you have any questions, please send me an e-mail message at: david.jadwin@nvwg.cap.gov. I look forward to your support!

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Jadwin". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first name "David" and last name "Jadwin" written in a single continuous line.

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2008 Nellis Air Show Project Officer